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Docket No.: 49570CPA(70551)

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Yukako Nii

Application No.: 09/499,401

Filed: February 7, 2000

For: INFORMATION PROCESSING

APPARATUS AND METHOD WITH GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE

ALLOWING PROCESSING CONDITION TO

BE SET BY DRAG AND DROP, AND MEDIUM ON WHICHPROCESSING PROGRAM THEREOF IS RECORDED Art Unit: 2174

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 24, 2004 (Paper No. 24), the period for responding thereto having been extended to the present by payment of the petition fee, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.